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PROCLAMATION

January is National Alzheimer Awareness Month

WHEREAS, every 3 seconds, someone in the world develops dementia, and by 2050, nearly 1.7 million Canadians will be living with dementia; and

WHEREAS, locally, over 5,000 people are estimated to be affected, excluding the thousands of family members who provide direct care; and.

WHEREAS, the Alzheimer Society raises general awareness of dementia, identifies warning signs and stresses the importance of early diagnosis while offering support and programs for those living the dementia journey; and

WHEREAS, early diagnosis of dementia helps people live better with dementia and allows them to make important decisions about their future needs; and

WHEREAS, building more dementia friendly communities can be our first step to help reduce the stigma of dementia in Canada,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, I, Steve Ferguson, Mayor of The Corporation of the County of Prince Edward, do hereby proclaim the month of January as "National Alzheimer Awareness Month" in the County of Prince Edward, and urge all citizens of our community to become more educated and aware of the far-reaching effects of Alzheimer's disease and related dementias.

Mayor Steve Ferguson **DATED** at Picton this 10th day of January, 2024